

# WMU Sets Ambitious Goals

The Mississippi Baptist Woman's Missionary Union adjourned its annual session in Jackson last week after adopting a series of worthy goals for 1958-59, re-electing most of its officers, adopting a new set of by-laws and changing its meeting schedule for next year.

Total registration reached 1,675. Next year's meeting place will be determined later.

The Convention next year will be held Tuesday and Wednesday, March 11-12. The Convention will begin Tuesday morning and adjourn at close of Wed-

nesday afternoon's session. The annual BWC Federation banquet will be held Tuesday night.

The goals for this coming year include:

Net gain of 50 churches with WMU organizations, net gain of 3,750 in membership, net gain of 10% in tithers, net gain of 11% in Weeks of Prayer Offerings, subscriptions to each monthly magazine equaling 55% of members of respective organizations, and increased number of Honor WMU's.

#### Board Recommendations

The above goals were recommended by the WMU Executive Board. Other Board suggestions adopted were as follows:

Associational officers in the future will take office immediately upon election in April rather than the following October as at present.

There will be three Y. W. A. houseparties each year in the future instead of two at present.

These would be held at Camp Garaywa, Kittiwake Assembly and Camp Stephens, a Methodist camp near Oxford.

**New By-Laws**  
The Convention adopted a new set of by-laws under which it will operate in the future.

All state officers were re-elected except the stewardship chairman. The new chairman is Mrs. Roy McGlamery of Ripley, succeeding Mrs. Chester L. Quarles, of Jackson.

All district officers were re-elected except No. Eight. The new president is Mrs. E. L. Pierce of Columbia, with the vice-president (formerly youth director) being Mrs. Nat Mayhall of Port Gibson.



PRESENTED TRAY—Miss Edwina Robinson, Jackson, state Baptist WMU secretary, exhibits silver tray she received from the state WMU at a luncheon held in connection with the annual Convention in Jackson last week. Recognition of her 25 years of service with the state WMU was made by Mrs. Ned Rice, (left) of Charleston. Mrs. J. T. Lyons, McComb, state president, looks on.

## Questions For Controversy

By DR. PORTER ROUTH, Executive Secretary  
SBC Executive Committee, Nashville, Tenn.  
(From The Baptist Program)

The dictionary defines controversy as the "act of arguing a question about which differences of opinion exist; debate, dispute, quarrel, wrangle."

Controversy is a part of nearly every conversation. It can be a source of light. It is often a source of heat. It can lead even into bitter darkness.

Paul admonished the Philippians, "Do all things without murmuring and disputing." Certainly Paul was concerned with harmony, but he was not saying that there should never be a discussion. He exhibited his own ability to state his point of view, to controvert the point of view of others on more than one occasion.

Francis Bacon, the English es-

sayist, said, "Men ought to take heed of rending God's church by two kinds of controversy. The one is when the matter of the point controverted is too small and light, not worth the heat and strife about it, kindled only by contradiction.

The other is, when the matter of the point controverted is great, but is driven to an over-great subtlety and obscurity; so that it becometh a thing rather ingenious than substantial."

#### Controversies Tempted

Many church and denominational controversies are tempted at these two points; in the first instance the issues are insignificant and trivial; while in the second, the issues might be significant, but the issues are given second billing, while the spotlight is kept on personalities involved.

In any controversy it might be well to ask several questions:

1. Do we have all of the facts available? Truth is never found down the road of ignorance. All colors look alike in the dark.

You may reach a tentative conclusion through the lack of facts, but you do not really resolve basic differences. Many controversies would never arise if both parties involved would take the time to get the uncontroversial facts.

2. Are the fruits of the controversy really worth cultivating and picking? Is the question significant or is it incidental? Is there a possibility of taking the seed of a small controversy and finding that when it is planted six large controversies have grown in its place?

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## Houston Drama Ready

HOUSTON — (BP) — The opening night session of the Southern Baptist Convention here May 20 will feature a dramatic presentation based on the Baptist Jubilee Advance.

This will be a joint session with Woman's Missionary Union at the Houston Coliseum.

The program will present in dramatic form the five annual themes of the Jubilee Advance for the years 1959-1964. The Baptist Hour Choir, under the direction of Paul Green, Fort Worth, will be the featured chorral group.

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## More Money Will Be Asked For Theological Education

EDITOR'S NOTE: Seminaries and theological education are discussed in this fifth story based on the report of the Committee to Study Total Southern Baptist Convention Program. The sixth story will discuss the philosophy and principles which guided the committee in its two-year survey.

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#### Strategic Month

The meetings are scheduled at strategic points in every section of the state, readily accessible to all who wish to attend.

Each conference will begin at 9:00 a. m. and close at 4:00 p. m. with one hour out for lunch.

Either Dr. Odle or Dr. Chester L. Quarles, Executive Secretary-Treasurer, will direct each of the conferences, and they will be assisted by number of the pastors who used the new program in their churches last fall.

#### Schedule

The places and dates of the meetings will be as follows:

April 3 — Main Street Hatiesburg.

April 8 — First, Tupelo.

April 9 — First, Starkville.

April 10 — Clinton.

April 11 — Clarke College, Newton.

April 15 — First, Senatobia.

April 16 — Oakhurst, Clarksdale.

April 17 — First, Leland.

April 18 — North Greenwood, Greenwood.

The meetings which were originally announced to be held April 1 and 4 in Grenada and Jackson, will not be held. There will be a Statewide Committee Training Clinic in Jackson on Thursday, September 4.

The new revised Guidebook for the program will be used, and the experience of the churches which have used the program will be discussed. Special emphasis will be given to the use of the program in churches which have never had any type of finance program.

#### By The Baptist Press

The discussion of theological education in the report of the Committee to Study Total Southern Baptist Convention Program centers on its financial needs.

The committee recommends steps to provide more money for theological education. It also recommends a revised formula for dividing funds among the six Southern Baptist seminaries.

A tuition charge is proposed for seminary students. At present they pay no tuition. An increase in student fees also is recommended.

Another recommendation of the Survey Committee — as it is popularly known — is that the SBC establish no new seminaries until the full potential of the present seminaries is realized.

These recommendations will be presented to messengers at the 1958 Convention session in Houston in May for adoption.

#### Funds Required

"Immediate steps should be taken to provide the seminaries with the funds required to provide quality education," the committee reports.

It says that "In recent years, the total amount of Cooperative Program support given to the seminaries has generally averaged between \$300 and \$400 for each full-time student per year.

"This is insufficient to provide average or above-average training. It is much less than the \$527 annual average expended at other seminaries for instruction. The contrast is even more striking when administrative and other non-instructional expenses are taken into account."

The Survey Committee declares that "seminary presidents should adopt a revised formula for distribution of Cooperative Program funds." It then outlines its recommended procedures for arriving at a revised formula:

1. Allocate funds more directly in proportion to enrollment.

2. "Assure that the allocation will afford all seminary students the same quality of training.

#### Consider Differences

3. "Consider the differences in costs of educating students in different fields and on different levels.

4. "Allow a sufficient base amount for operating costs to assure that essential operation of all seminaries will be provided for even if they have small enrollment.

5. "Take endowments into consideration in the formula for distribution of funds."

Seminary presidents by custom meet each year to agree on

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## BSU Retreat To Meet Apr. 18-20

The annual State Retreat for BSU officers will be held on campus of East Center Junior College at Decatur April 18-20.

Rev. Ralph B. Winder, state Student secretary, announced that three visiting out-of-state personalities will participate on

\$250,000 Gift

Goes Begging

ASHTABULA, O. (RNS) — For 21 years a \$250,000 gift has been waiting for an industrial or polytechnic school where all the students and teachers attend Sunday school and church and observe the Sabbath.

Probate Judge J. Phillip Perry heard estate trustees say they could find no such school or institution and the \$250,000 is not enough to found such a school.

The gift was provided in the will of the late George J. Record of Conneaut, O. Judge Perry has taken into advisement a proposition of the trustees of the fund to use it for scholarships for graduates of Ashtabula County.

#### Placed In Trust

The quarter million dollar estate was placed in an educational trust and has been in litigation since the death of Mr. Record's wife in 1937.

In addition to the stipulation about church and Sunday school attendance and Sabbath observance, he specified the school receiving the fund be "Protestant in ethics and teachings, but otherwise undenominational."

Mr. Record also stipulated that each school session open with "Prayer and Scripture reading."



FOUNDATION TO HANDLE CAREY ENDOWMENT—Mississippi Baptist Foundation will handle the endowment funds of William Carey College, following exchange of a trust agreement between trustees of the Foundation and trustees of the college, shown here being examined by representatives of both groups. Left to right, President Ralph Nonnestein of Carey College; Purser Hewitt, chairman of Carey trustees; Dr. Harry Lee Spencer, executive secretary of the Foundation; Walter Clinton, chairman of the executive committee of Carey trustees; Dr. Earl Green, chairman of the Scholarship Committee, Carey Trustees, and Bruce Aultman, attorney for Carey trustees.

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**CONVENTION SPEAKERS**—Mrs. R. H. Young of Jackson, (left) vice-president of the Baptist Woman's Missionary Union of Mississippi, visits with three of the featured speakers of the group's meeting at Calvary Church in Jackson last week. They are (from left) Mrs. Joe Mefford, missionary to Spain; Mrs. R. L. Mathis of Waco, Texas, Southern Baptist WMU president, and Rev. Dick Miller, missionary to Alaska.



**WMU LEADERS**—This group of leaders were looking over the program for the State BWC Federation Banquet just before the festivity got underway at Calvary Church in Jackson on Tuesday night of last week. The banquet was held just prior to the opening of the State W. M. U. Convention. Left to right, are: Miss Edwin Robinson, Jackson, state WMU executive secretary-treasurer; Mrs. J. T. Lyons, McComb, state WMU president; Miss Sue Tatum, Yazoo City, state Business Women's Circle Federated chairman; and Mrs. R. L. Mathis, Waco, Texas, Southern Baptist WMU president.

### More Money --

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a formula for sharing Cooperative Program funds available for seminary use.

The committee recommends beginning a tuition charge and increasing student fees. It adds, "it is not likely that allocation of Cooperative Program funds can be increased as rapidly as they should be to keep abreast of increasing enrolments and at the same time provide adequate

amounts for improving the quality of the seminaries' educational programs."

#### Year Round Use Seen

The Survey Committee report calls for "more effective use of existing seminaries and for development of a plan for year-round operation of the seminaries."

It also states that "seminary sponsorship of Christian training and certificate programs should be studied carefully and held at a minimum."

It asks that the seminaries initiate a special study "to determine how the needs for degree and non-degree training can be best met with the resources available to the denomination."

The Survey Committee lists three alternatives "to continuation and expansion of non-degree programs." It describes these as:

1. "An expanded seminary extension program." (The seminaries now jointly sponsor a Seminary Extension Department offering course work through correspondence and at extension centers.)

2. "Expanded Bible education in Baptist colleges, and their extension programs."

3. "Expansion of assistance to state convention sponsored Bible schools by the seminaries to improve the quality of these programs."

#### Report Concluded

The committee concludes its report on theological education by recommending that Carver School of Missions and Social Work in Louisville be kept a separate institution.

Booz, Allen & Hamilton the management consultant firm which aided the Survey Committee in its two-year study of the full SBC program, is assisting Carver School in a survey of its own operations.

### Cook Completes Tenth Year At Clarke-Venable

On Sunday, February 16, Rev. John W. Cook celebrated his tenth anniversary as pastor of the Clarke-Venable Church, Decatur.

The ten-year period has been one of steady progress for the church, with 156 additions by baptism and 367 additions by letter. Total contributions thru the church have totaled \$135,766.24.

The Sunday School has been standard nine of the ten years. The rotating system of deacons has been established; the debt for pews and pulpit furniture has been paid; the pastorum has been improved and new garage constructed; a Hammond organ and three pianos have been bought; an addition to the Educational Building has been built and paid for; the auditorium has been air-conditioned.

"I regularly attended a small town church until I moved away six years ago," Mrs. M. said to a pastor whom she had invited to her home to help her with a disturbing spiritual problem. She came quickly to her point, "Can I be certain I am saved?" she asked. Before he could answer she gave reason for the question: "Once I heard a Bible teacher say that we can never be sure; we'll have to wait until death to know."

The pastor's answer began with these words from the Bible: "If thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved" (Romans 10:9).

He continued, "You see this verse does not say perhaps, maybe, some of the time, or that you will have to wait until you die to find out. Instead, it says positively, 'Thou shalt be saved.' Again and again the Bible states this clearly. Many other verses of assurance were quoted by the pastor, and she came to see clearly the reality of Christian assurance. She began eagerly to study what the Bible had to say on assurance, and was no longer beset by doubts as to the permanence of her salvation."

If one never has questions concerning his spiritual life he is an unusual person. Many faithful Christians have moments of uncertainty. For example Thomas, one of the

### Woman's Missionary Union

#### Auxiliary To Southern Baptist Convention

##### Annual Session

MAY 19-20, 1958

MUSIC HALL, HOUSTON, TEXAS

THEME: Declare His Glory ... His Wonders ...

SCRIPTURE: Psalm Ninety-Six

Music Director ..... Mrs. D. K. Harrell  
Special Music ..... Mrs. Max T. Ward  
Organist ..... Mrs. W. J. Wimpee

Monday Morning, May 19, 1958

9:30 Sing Unto the Lord—Mr. D. K. Harrell  
O Worship the Lord  
"World Awareness"  
Presentation of Hostess Committee—Mrs. Clarence Colley, Houston, Texas  
Special Music—Grace McBride YWA's, Memorial Hospital, Houston, Texas  
Memorial Service—Mrs. Duke McCall, Louisville, Ky.  
Business  
Declare His Glory—In Our Time—Miss Alma Rohm Nigeria  
Special Music—Mrs. Max T. Ward, Alexandria, La.  
Declare His Glory Among All People—Mrs. Billie Davis, Costa Rica  
Bless His Name—Psalm 96

Monday Afternoon, May 19, 1958

Sing Unto the Lord—Dr. D. K. Harrell  
O Worship the Lord  
"Spiritual Life Development"  
Declare His Glory ... In Our Time ... Mrs. Bruce Conrad, missionary to the Indians, Oklahoma  
Bring An Offering ... Come Into His Court  
Presentation of Home Mission Week of Prayer and Annie Armstrong Offering  
Special Music—Mrs. Max T. Ward  
Shew Forth His Salvation—Senora Umbelina Landera, President of Woman's Missionary Union of Cuba  
Bless His Name—Psalm 96

Monday Evening, May 19, 1958

7:30 Sing Unto the Lord—Mr. D. K. Harrell  
O Worship the Lord  
In Sunbeam Band—Miss Elsie Rives, Director  
In Girls' Auxiliary—Miss Betty Brereton, Director  
In Young Woman's Auxiliary—Miss Doris DeVault, Director  
In Woman's Missionary Society, Miss Margaret Bruce, Director  
Presentation of Missionary Appointees  
Special Music—Mrs. Max T. Ward  
Declare His Glory Among the Nations—Dr. Baker James Cauthen, Executive Secretary, Foreign Mission Board, Benediction

Tuesday Morning, May 20, 1958

9:30 Sing Unto the Lord—Mr. D. K. Harrell  
O Worship the King  
"Through Christian Witnessing"  
Business Division Report—Miss LaVenia Neal, Director  
Promotion Division Report—Mrs. William McMurry, Director  
Declare His Glory ... His Wonders ... In Our Time—Miss Alma Hunt, Executive Secretary, WMU  
"Lead On King Eternal"  
Special Music—Mrs. Max T. Ward  
For the Lord is Great—Mr. Brooks Hays, President, SBC  
Bless His Name—Psalm 96

Tuesday Afternoon, May 20, 1958

1:45 Sing Unto the Lord—Mr. D. K. Harrell  
O Worship the Lord  
"Sharing Possessions"  
Declare His Glory In Our Time—Dr. Alexander Haraszti, Hungary  
Business  
Committee Reports  
Bring An Offering ... Come Into His Courts  
Presentation of 1958 Week of Prayer for Foreign Missions and Lottie Moon Christmas Offering  
Special Music—Mrs. Max T. Ward  
Shew Forth His Salvation—Mrs. Dewey Moore, Rome, Italy  
Bless His Name—Psalm 96

Tuesday Evening, May 20, 1958

Joint session with Southern Baptist Convention at Municipal Coliseum  
Organization of Convention  
President's Message  
Presentation of Jubilee Advance Program



Mary Alice Hearn

### Blue Mtn. Elects S. G. A. President

Miss Mary Alice Hearn, Nashvile, Tenn., was elected March 19 as President of the Student Government Association of Blue Mountain College for the 1958-59 session.

Since entering Blue Mountain College, Miss Hearn has served as an officer of the Student Government Association, the Baptist Student Union Council, and on the staff of several campus student publications. She is now serving as editor of the "Moutaintop Messenger," the Baptist Student Union publication.

She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. Aubrey Hearn of Nashville. Mr. Hearn is a member of the official staff of the Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention.

### Mrs. W. E. Farr, Sr. Dies In Greenville

Mrs. W. E. Farr Sr. (Cynthia Brister Farr) died March 8 at Greenville. Funeral services were held on March 9 for the widow of a widely known Baptist pastor, in Indiana by Dr. Perry Claxton, pastor of First Church, Greenville, assisted by Rev. Charlie Webb of Cleveland. Burial was in Grenada.

Mrs. Farr, 77, went to Greenville in December from Jackson to make her home with a daughter, Mrs. Charles Stanford. She had been ill for two months.

Her husband, Rev. W. E. Farr, Sr., held pastorates at Grenada for many years, at Itta Bena, and at Goodman when he died in 1937.

Survivors are two daughters, Mrs. J. C. Wilkinson of Norfolk, Va.; Mrs. Stanford; two sons, W. E. Farr, Jr., Cleveland, and James V. Farr of Boyle; two sisters, Mrs. Rhoda McCarlie of Oskaloosa and Mrs. Hazel Padgett of Asheville, N.C.; two brothers, Clyde Brister of Asheville and Fred Brister of McComb; 12 grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

**ROME** — A group of Jehovah's Witnesses, in a statement here, protested against a police order banning the showing of a documentary film on the sect's activities.

### Questions --

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#### Pride Confused

3. Am I confusing pride with principle? Many times we are blinded by an opportunity to take personal advantage to satisfy our pride in the name of principle.

4. Do we descend to the level of personal vilification when we see our fortress of principle being breached? This is not only an unchristian tactic in controversy, but it is a certain confession that the principle we so proudly proclaimed has been controverted.

5. Do we recognize that every question has two sides? Someone has said, "Yes, my side and the wrong side. We must start every discussion however with the understanding that the parties involved have different backgrounds, and sometimes words which are perfectly clear and understandable out of our own experience have completely opposite meanings to those who come from a different experience. It is easy sometimes to resolve a controversy by a brief review of vocabulary.

#### Do We Seek

6. Do we truthfully seek to know God's will and word in every question of controversy? God may not abide with either the majority or the minority vote in a Baptist church or in the Southern Baptist Convention.

Human reason often crumbles against the impenetrable spirit of God's eternal truth. As Samuel Johnson said, "Wretched would be the pair above all names of wretchedness, who should be doomed to adjust by reason every morning all of the minute details of a domestic day."

What does God want me to do as an individual? What does God's Word say? What does God's spirit, as revealed in Jesus Christ, signify? What is the purpose of my church? What is the goal of my home? What should we do in our denomination?

These questions and others should be uppermost in our minds when we enter into controversy in any of these areas, remembering above all else that "there abideth, faith, hope, and love, but the greatest of these is love."

### Houston --

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nacle Baptist Church, Houston, under the direction of Mrs. Sarah Miller, will be the speech group. The cast will be drawn from the members of Baptist churches in Houston.

Various segments of the program begin rehearsing in April. Final rehearsals will be held in May just prior to the Convention.

#### Criswell To Speak

More than 200 persons will participate in the presentation which will be climaxed with a message by W. A. Criswell, pastor, First Baptist Church, Dallas.

The entire program will begin with Jubilee Advance Committee in session. Interpretation of the themes will be accomplished by the use of six stage areas and six mediums — music, choral verse, pantomime, tableau, projected visual aids, and dramatic action.

The special program will be made possible by joint action of all the agencies of the Southern Baptist Convention and will be under the auspices of the Jubilee Advance Committee, C. C. Warren, Charlotte, N.C., Chairman.

The program will be produced by Woman's Missionary Union, Convention auxiliary, and the Baptist Brotherhood Commission at the request of the committee. Mrs. R. L. Mathis, Waco, Tex., president, Woman's Missionary Union, and James M. Sapp, Memphis, Tenn., director of promotion, Brotherhood Commission, will supervise production.

### Cliff Brannon At First, Purvis

First Church, Purvis closed a successful revival Sunday, Mar. 16, with 50 decisions, 13 by letter and 24 by baptism.

A young High School girl dedicated herself for full time service.

This was the second year Brannon has been in the Purvis church. Mrs. Brannon spoke at the closing service, and gave her testimony.

Rev. Paul Leber is pastor.

**NEW ORLEANS SEMINARY GROUND BREAKING**—Participating in a ground breaking ceremony for a \$780,025 chapel at New Orleans Seminary March 21 were (from left) Dr. W. Plunkett Martin, director of the School of Sacred Music; Owen Cooper, Yazoo City, Miss., president of the Seminary board of trustees, who delivered the principal address; Dr. J. Wash Watts, dean; Dr. Roland Q. Leavell, president; and Earl Parish and T. O. Winn, both members of the board of trustees.

# Calvary, Jackson, In Open House



ARCHITECT'S DRAWING of Completed Plant of Calvary Church, Jackson.

## Brotherhood Department

W. R. ROBERTS, Secretary  
HAROLD GULLY, Associate  
E. L. HOWELL, Royal Ambassador Counselor  
MRS. J. L. TAYLOR and MRS. ELTON GREEN, Office Secretaries

### BRING THEM BOYS TO CONVENTION - WIDE ROYAL AMBASSADOR CONGRESS AT

Fort Worth, Texas  
August 12, 13, 14  
By Edward Hurt, Jr.

Upon the shoulders of men of Brotherhoods throughout the Southern Baptist Convention rests a successful Convention-wide Royal Ambassador Congress next August 12, 13, 14 at Fort Worth, Texas. The groundwork has been well laid. An outstanding program has been planned. An attendance goal of 8,858 boys and their leaders has been set. Now, the success of the Congress is in your hands. It will be successful providing:

— Men of the Brotherhoods visualize the challenge of the Congress theme, "Christ In Me . . . The Hope of The World."

In a sick world, suffering from the ravages of sin, Christ, made real in the lives of our youth, is the only hope.

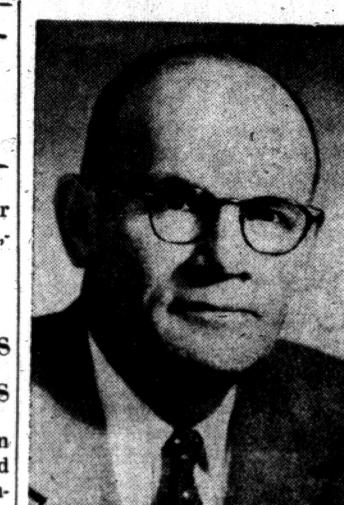
— Men of the Brotherhoods make it possible for one or more boys of their churches to attend the Congress. This may be accomplished by encouraging their churches to "get behind" the project. Perhaps all or part of the expenses of the boy (boys) and leader can be provided from church funds.

— Men of the Brotherhoods encourage the boys of their churches to attend the Congress. Boys oftentimes fail to realize the significance and importance of such an event. A spark of encouragement will "sell" them on the idea of attending the Congress. A word to parents, explaining the nature and purpose of the Congress, will help create interest in the occasion.

Boys are anxious to attend this outstanding Royal Ambassador event. They are awaiting the leadership of the men of

their church. Will some of your boys be included among the 8,858?

### Cooper Delivers Tharp Lectures



DR. JAMES L. SULLIVAN, of Nashville, will be the principal speaker for the twin morning services of dedication and worship at Calvary Church, Jackson, Easter Sunday, April 6.

### Houston Churches Open Nurseries

HOUSTON — (BP) — Five local churches will open their nurseries for the convenience of messengers attending the Southern Baptist Convention and related meetings here May 18-23.

Nurseries will open at 9 a. m. May 19 at South Main, Second, First, Woodridge, and West End Baptist Churches. They will be open during all sessions after that time.

Messengers bringing children to be cared for will be charged 50 cents per child per session. The nurseries will close 30 minutes after the ending of each session of the Convention, or other meetings.

Houston Baptists report that an information booth in the Coliseum will direct messengers to the churches having nurseries open.

### Inspection Team Visits Carey

An inspection team of Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools made a survey of William Carey College on March 24-26.

The purpose of this study was to determine whether or not Carey College will be approved for regional accreditation by this accrediting agency.

Members of the inspecting committee were Vice-President R. L. Brantley, Mercer University, Macon, Ga., President Warren F. Jones, Union University, Jackson, Tenn., and Dean S. L. Akers, Wesleyan College, Macon, Ga.

### Music Workshop Leadership School

A five-day Church Music Workshop - Leadership School has been scheduled for New Orleans Seminary April 14-18.

Conducted jointly by the Seminary and the department of church music of the Louisiana Baptist Convention, the workshop-leadership school will have on its faculty representatives of the church music department of the Baptist Sunday School Board, the entire faculty of the Seminary's School of sacred music, and several leading church musicians.

Among those who will serve are Dr. W. Hines Sims of the Sunday School Board, Dr. W. Plunkett Martin, New Orleans Seminary, and Dr. Lowell C. Alexander, secretary, church music department of the Louisiana Convention.

## "CHEAPER BY THE DOZEN"

By Wendell Belew, Director  
Church - Sponsored Missions  
HMB

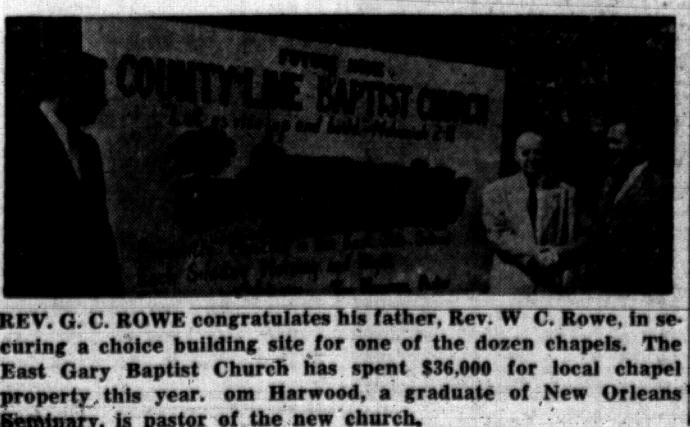
The East Gary Baptist Church of East Gary, Indiana, of which Rev. Gerald Rowe is pastor, finds that missions are "cheaper by the dozen." This church, which is not large in material matters, is tremendous in spiritual values. For in the last twelve months it has established twelve mission stations. From these twelve mission stations have already come four new churches, and these four new churches are each giving at least 12½ percent of their budget to the Cooperative Program.

The pastoral leadership in the East Gary Mission Program is a father and son team. Rev. Gerald Rowe is pastor of the church and his father W. C.

Rowe, serves as director of the local mission program. As an added testimony that a church-centered mission program produces laborers for the fields, eight preachers have been ordained in the East Gary church in the last twelve months. Seven ministers are now receiving seminary training. A Seminary Extension Center has been established in the field.

Before one of the missions is organized into a church, the sponsoring church seeks to help secure property and to have an adequate organization. All of the missions have pastors; three of these pastors are seminary graduates.

As this virile church has carried on its program of missions, it has added 300 to the church membership through the mission program in the last year.



Thursday, April 3, 1958

THE BAPTIST RECORD 3



THE CHANCEL CHOIR at Calvary Church, Jackson, is seen in a pre-service rehearsal in new Music Room. Fred Ellerbe, minister of music, directs while Mrs. Virgil Posey accompanies.



TYPICAL SCENE in one of the 12 new nursery departments at Calvary Church, Jackson. Space will care for 200 infants and all equipment is the very latest from the standpoint of efficiency and health.



SEVERAL YOUNG PEOPLE pause to look at the trophy case at one of the entrances to the Education and Activities Building of Calvary Church, Jackson.



A GYMNASIUM is among the features of the new Education and Activities Building of Calvary Church, Jackson. It will be used for basketball, volleyball, badminton and skating.

## The Baptist Record

Largest Circulation of Any Newspaper  
Of Any Kind in Mississippi

W. C. FIELDS, Editor

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## The Right To Decide

With liquor legislation in the mills on both sides of the Capitol Building in Jackson all sorts of shouting can be heard from the house tops.

The strangest, most ironic sounds being made on the subject are those of wets who are pleading that "the people" have a right to decide this problem.

Apparently what they mean by "the people" is "the people who want liquor!"

These are the same propagandists who beat the drum and pounded their chests for a referendum on local option in 1952. Their hue and cry was that voters ought to be given a chance to accept or reject the local option system of legal liquor.

The citizens of this state DO have a right to decide—and when they were given that chance in 1952 they DID decide—and if given another chance they WILL DECIDE AGAIN—and against legalizing liquor!

Voters expressed in that referendum in no uncertain terms their opposition to a local option scheme. The voters saw then as we believe they see now that this camel-with-his-nose-under-the-tent conspiracy is, to put it mildly, a second-best proposition.

But there is another aspect to this knotty and troublesome problem. The people of this state not only have a right to decide on such important issues, but having decided in a clear-cut manner (as in the last referendum) they have the right to expect the legislature to follow the mandates given by their voting.

Perhaps it would be a little too severe to say that wets obey only those mandates and laws which they dictate. But it is getting downright hard for the average citizen to believe that this liquor crowd has any serious loyalties at all to the processes of democracy.

The good people of Mississippi have spoken on this liquor issue. They have spoken clearly and plainly. They have said that liquor is a menace to life and limb, to heart and soul, to church and school, to home and community—and the majority of the citizens are opposed to it in any shape, form, or fashion.

And try as they may, wet forces cannot get around an obvious fact: that, in spite of all the shady dealings going on now, the worst dry state in the nation is still far better off than the best wet state!

You, as a citizen and as a Christian, DO have a right to express yourself. And this is one of those important times when your feelings on this liquor problem need to be expressed.

Your Representative and Senator need to know how the people stand on this matter. Now is the time to tell them.

## The Chronology Of "Holy Week"

## Florida Baptist Witness

For years we personally have contended that Jesus was stating the truth with characteristic accuracy when he said "For as Jonas was three days and three nights in the whale's belly; so shall the Son of man be three days and three nights in the heart of the earth." Matthew 12:40. We believe emphatically that he not only was able to keep this prophecy but that he did keep it.

It follows naturally, therefore, that we have had to disagree with those who accept the traditional calendar for Holy Week which was cooked up and handed down by Romanist leaders many years ago. There seems to have been no mention of Good Friday, for example, before the Council of Nicea in 325 A. D. We simply do not believe that when Jesus said "three days and three nights" he meant one day and two nights. To accept the traditional Friday as the day of the crucifixion of Christ is to have him meaning the latter while he said the former.

We believe that a very careful study of the Gospel records in the light of Old Testament truth regarding the different sabbaths can help any earnest student to straighten out the errors in the traditional calendar for the days immediately preceding the crucifixion and those between the crucifixion and the resurrection. At least our own study led us long ago to the firm conviction that Christ was crucified not on Friday but on Wednesday.

We remember pleasantly how delighted our beloved predecessor, Dr. E. D. Solomon, was a few years ago to discover that his views and ours coincided about the matter. He called our attention then to the fact that in the September 4, 1941 issue of the Florida Baptist Witness an article entitled "The Three Sabbaths" written by W. D. Keis of Greenville had set forth clearly the views which he himself held.

Obviously then, we were pleased to learn that the Bible scholars attending the 93rd meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature and Exegesis in Louisville, Kentucky some weeks ago questioned the commonly accepted chronology of the Holy Week. According to Religious News Service they suggested that the sequence of events in the last week of Christ's life on earth and His crucifixion may not be correct.

In a paper presented at the meeting, Dr. James A. Walther, professor at Western Theological Seminary, Pittsburgh, Pa., suggested for instance, that the Last Supper took place on a Tuesday instead of the traditional Thursday. He based his position on the Dead Sea Scrolls ancient Biblical manuscripts found in 1947.

He said that the Gospels "apparently events (of Holy Week) have been compressed without regard to proper sequence." In many instances, he said, the Gospels do not agree on the sequence of events in Passion Week, and many scholars have been perplexed by the great amount of activity telescoped into such a short time.

"The difficulties may be reduced by recognizing that the old solar calendar was in use in Qumran," Dr. Walther said.

Qumran is the present name of the area along the Dead Sea where the Essenes, an ascetic sect, lived about the time of Jesus. The sect is described in the Dead Sea Scrolls.

"It is proposed that Jesus and His disciples observed the Passover according to the solar calendar," the Biblical scholar said. "The Qumran material seems to have established a Jewish festival at a date other than that of the official calendar."

"This could mean," he added, "that the Passover meal, or Last Supper, may have taken place on Tuesday under the solar calendar, and Thursday under the official calendar."

If the Last Supper was on a Tuesday, he declared: "This would give a more reasonable ordering of the events of Jesus' last week. The record of events in the Upper Room (where the Last Supper took place) and in the Garden



## The Baptist Forum

## Dark Days Ahead

Never have there been so much religion in the world and such little Evidence of Spiritual Power among the people. Christians seem to have taken the dry rot.

It was that way the when Jesus came into the world, and

## New Books

(Brief comments by the EDITOR; books available through your Baptist Book Store)

THE DEAD SEA SCROLLS by Charles F. Pfeiffer (Baker, 107 pp., \$2.50) — the full story of the most important archeological discovery of the Twentieth Century.

SPINOZA, THE ROAD TO INNER FREEDOM, The Ethics, by Baruch Spinoza, edited and with an Introduction by Dagobert D. Runes (Philosophical Library, 215 pp., \$3.00), one of the basis works of philosophy.

THE STORY OF KATHLEEN MALLORY by Annie Wright Ussery (Broadman, 199 pp., \$2.50) — an inspiring account of the unusual woman who headed WMU work for 36 years.

WHEN THE LIGHTS ARE LOW by Henry Rische (Concordia, 238 pp., \$2.50) — Wisdom for the trying times in life.

PROMETHEAN PILGRIM-AGE by O. H. Carpenter (Vantage, 150 pp., \$2.75) — an allegory by a Mount Vernon, Ill., bookkeeper, on the order of Bunyan's Pilgrim's Progress.

CHRIST AND YOUR JOB by Alfred K. Klausler (Concordia, 145 pp., \$1.50) — a study of Christianity applied to vacations.

SOUL - WINNING IS EASY by C. S. Lovett (Zondervan, 71 pp.) — a paperback booklet by a California (American) Baptist.

CONSIDER HIM by Olive Wyon (Abingdon, 64 pp., \$1.00) — Easter meditations by a gifted theologian, a Britisher, and a woman.

MANUAL ON SOUL-WINNING by M. W. Downey (Baker, 23 pp., \$4.00) — Concise booklet by the dean of the Canadian Bible Institute, Regina, Saskatchewan, Canada.

THE SECRET OF A RADIAN LIFE by W. E. Sangster (Abingdon, 219 pp., \$3.00) — Essays on the art of living by a British Methodist.

CHRIST BE WITH ME by Walter Russell Bowie (Abingdon, 137 pp., \$1.75) — Thirty-one devotionals by an experienced and skillful writer.

(where Jesus went to pray) give no evidence of hurry." We hope at some future time to get more detailed information from Professor Walther about his theory. At least it would seem from the news report that he has a start on the right track.

## Pages

## From The Past

By J. L. BOYD SR.

## 50 Years Ago

William Carey, the great Baptist missionary to India, received \$7,000.00 a year for teaching in the Government College but turned \$5,000.00 of that into mission work and on nearing the end of his long service there dictated the following to be engraved on his tomb: "William Carey, born 17th of Aug. 1761. Died 9th June, 1834. A wretched, poor and helpless worm, on Thy arms I fall."

## 40 Years Ago

President Bryan Simmons of Clarke Memorial College reports that Prof. Joel R. Hitt "will have charge of the book-keeping and mathematics" courses which department is just being introduced.

Pastor W. E. Farr tells of "the greatest meeting in the history of the Duncan Baptist Church" during which twelve joined the church, eight of them for baptism. Evangelist J. B. DeGarmo did the preaching and Prof. T. E. McCravy led the singing. The church made Pastor Farr and family happy by the gift of a new Ford car.

A new department was started in the Record, "Department of Evangelism," under the direction of R. S. Gavin.

## 25 Years Ago

Since the Foreign Mission Board is not sending its missionaries back to their fields of labor at end of their furloughs for lack of funds (Depression), Mrs. M. V. Saville laid on the alter her diamond ring, costing \$350.00, and given to her twelve years before by her husband, with the hope that others may join her in bearing the expenses of travel of Rev. G. W. Strother and wife to their field in China.

The First Church, Starkville, closed a great revival meeting during which there were "over seventy additions to the church." Pastor J. D. Ray was assisted by Rev. Kyle M. Yates of the Southern Seminary of Louisville, Kentucky.

Secretary R. B. Gunter of the Convention Board makes an appeal to Mississippi Baptists, as well as southward, "to feed the employed," that is, their missionaries at home and abroad. (The U. S. Government had just appropriated \$500,000,000.00 to "feed the unemployed of the land.")

THE SUPERNATURAL ORIGIN OF THE BIBLE by Kenneth James Nettles (Exposition Press, 179 pp., \$3.00) — ten points in evidence for Divine Authority, by a Louisiana Baptist now serving as an Air Force Chaplain.

THE HAPPY BONDAGE by John Robertson Ralph (Vantage, 64 pp., \$2.00) — the credo of a Christian liberal.

LIFT UP THINE EYES by Edena S. Schooley (Vantage, 44 pp., \$2.00) — a collection of aphorisms, a possible source book for devotionals.

WASHINGTON, D. C. — Protestants are "neglecting their responsibility" for political action and are often very ineffective when they try to influence government decisions in areas of moral issues, a Methodist theologian declared here.

TURIN, Italy — La Luce (The Light), a Waldensian weekly, issued an appeal here to all Italian Protestants to help set up a Protestant library in Braille for the blind. The paper said the first book to be printed in Braille would be the Bible.

NEW YORK — Pope Pius XII called on the "unflagging goodness and liberality" of U. S. Roman Catholics for support of the 12th annual American Bishops' Relief Fund campaign to aid the needy throughout the world.

## Baptists, Thomas Jefferson Unite

## To Establish Religious Freedom

16 1785 (BP) — The zeal of Virginia Baptists and the statesmanship of Thomas Jefferson today combined to produce "an Act to Establish Religious Freedom" which insures liberty of conscience throughout the state.

Jefferson's beautifully worded declaration, adopted today by the Virginia General Assembly, reads in part: "No man shall be compelled to frequent or support any religious worship, place, or ministry whatsoever, nor shall be enforced, restrained, molested, or burdened in his body or goods, nor shall otherwise suffer on account of his religious opinions or belief; but that all men shall be free to profess and by argument maintain their opinions in matters of religion, and the same shall in no wise diminish, enlarge, or affect their civil capacities."

## Virginia Baptists

The act drawn by Thomas Jefferson had the able support of James Madison, George Mason, and other leading statesmen. But the law is due in large measure to the relentless struggle of Virginia Baptists, in spite of persecution and oppression, to win religious liberty.

The Act to Establish Religious Freedom grew out of opposition, principally by Baptists, to a bill which would tax all citizens for the support of "teachers of the Christian religion." The bill almost became law at a recent session of the General Assembly, but action was delayed to give the people, particularly various religious denominations, an opportunity to express themselves.

While Baptists had some support from other denominations in other issues involving religious freedom, they now stand alone. Other groups have become divided as the threat to liberty of conscience has been overshadowed by the promise of state support for all religions.

Threat Becomes Triumph

Individuals from many denominations joined in the fight against general assessment for the support of religion, but only Baptists have stood together as a denomination to oppose the measure.

Thus at a critical time in Virginia history — and in the life of a new nation — Baptists have

BETTER VACATION BIBLE SCHOOLS by Sibley C. Burnett (Convention Press, 150 pp., 60c) — a subject that takes on new importance, in our churches beginning about this time of the year.

THE COMMUNIST MENACE, THE PRESENT CHAOS, AND OUR CHRISTIAN RESPONSIBILITY by Arthur Voobus (SETE, 116 pp., \$1.25), a paperback treatment of the great religio-political struggle of our time.

CHRISTIAN MUSIC COMES OF AGE by Ruth Nininger (Carl Fischer, Inc., 157 pp., \$4.00) — a handbook for music workers in the local church written by one well trained for her task.

THE INTEGRITY OF PREDICTION by John Knox (Abingdon, 96 pp., \$1.75) — Thirty-one devotionals by an experienced and skillful writer.

JOYFUL DAY . . . now you are light in the Lord; walk as children of light." (Ep. 5:8 RSV) — (Religious News Service Photo).

turned a threat into a triumph. Just when the state and church were ready to join hands, at considerable risk to religious freedom, a determined stand by Baptists and civic leaders turned the tide in favor of liberty. Copyright, 1957, by Historical Commission

Southern Baptist Convention

## Counselor's Corner

By DR. R. LOFTON HUDSON

Author of the book, FOR OUR AGE OF ANXIETY, which you may purchase at your Baptist Book Store.

## PERSECUTED PREACHER

QUESTION: In our small church it seems that when one group likes a preacher, another group always opposes him.

Right now we have a young preacher in his middle twenties. They have doctor bills and his wife has taken a job to help pay off these bills. The opposing group gossips about this fine young couple and criticizes them. They are fast building up opposition even among the mature members. What can be done?

ANSWER: The Church of Corinth faced precisely the same problem. Read chapters 1 and 3. The hope lies in the group that says "I belong to Christ" (1 Cor. 1:12). If you have enough who belong to Christ, they will band themselves together and defy anyone to divide them into cliques.

No, they will not divide the mature members. It is the "babes in Christ" who feel the necessity of taking sides against someone just because he is limited. In the church, the home, or in any group activity, mature people learn to play on the same team and play by the rules.

The poor preacher has enough problems without being persecuted by half the church which happens to be mad at the other half. If I were a member of your church, I would try to love this young preacher and his wife so much that the barbs of the opposing group would not hurt quite so badly. This is the only solution I know.

(Address questions to Dr. Hudson, 116 West 47th Street, Kansas City 12, Mo.)

## Calendar of Prayer

April 7 — Joe Odenwald, Sunflower Associational Brotherhood President.

April 8 — J. W. Kellum, Tallahatchie Associational Brotherhood President; Horace Marlow, Tate Associational Brotherhood President.

April 9 — Rev. Leon Young, Wayne Associational Missionary; Rev. H. V. Bryant, Winston Associational Missionary.

April 10 — Miss Frances Skulley, Mississippi College faculty; W. A. Whitten, Seminary Extension Department.

April 11 — G. G. Pierce, Baptist Building; Mrs. B. B. Pridgen, Baptist Building.

April 12 — Dr. Lawrence T. Lowrey, President, Blue Mountain College; A. H. Miller, Clarke College staff.

April 13 — Dr. B. L. Parkinson, Carey College faculty; Marian Leavell, B. S. U. Director, Ole Miss.

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## The Baptist Record

W. C. Fields, Th. D. Editor

Joe Abrams Associate Editor

## "PEOPLE FOR CHRIST" IS 30,000 OBJECTIVE

What is the primary objective in getting 30,000 new churches and missions? This question was asked of leaders throughout the Southern Baptist Convention, because Southern Baptists wanted to know the primary reason for the 30,000.



Joanne Carpenter

### Hinds J. C. Elects B. S. U. Council

Officers to serve on the Baptist Student Union Council for 1958-59 at Hinds County Junior College were elected March 24. Joanne Carpenter from Morton was elected President.

Other students on the Council are Buddy Calhoun, Jackson, Enlistment Chairman; Mary Tolar, Columbia, Social Chairman; Barbara Speight, Jackson, Secretary and Treasurer; Myrtle Moore, Calhoun City, Devotional Chairman; Polly Harrington, Aberdeen, Music Chairman; Deloris Ray, Sharon, publicity Chairman; Bobby Sheffield, Raymond, Missions Chairman; Linnie Parman, Port Gibson, Training Union Representative; Ella Agnes Grantham, Jackson, Sunday School Representative.

Adult advisors are: Mr. A. L. Dinton, Faculty advisor; Rev. Clyde Gordon, pastor-advisor; and Miss Kathryn Jasper, BSA Director.

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Movement which was launched at the Convention in 1956.

An amalgamation of the answers received to this question revealed several ideas: To win people to Christ; to establish churches for the nurture of Christians; to win people to total Christian stewardship; to plant churches in reach of all people and preach the gospel to all people in USA; to enlarge the kingdom; to enlist more people in active service, for Christ; to conserve more Baptists; to tap reserves for world missions; to strengthen and expand our influence as a denomination in reaching the lost for Christ; to give nurture and training that only missions and churches can give.

The expressions of thought varied, but the dominant idea of Southern Baptist leaders as to the primary objective of the 30,000 Movement is PEOPLE FOR CHRIST.



**47 YEAR RECORD**—H. V. Redfield of First Church, Wiggins, has been active in Training Union work since 1911. In that year he and Major Ed. Holcomb established BYPU at McHenry. Later moving to Wiggins Mr. Redfield was Training Union Director for 30 years and is still active at the age of 72. Dr. U. Karl Perego is his pastor. Can any Mississippian top this record in length of service in Training Union?—(Staff Photo).

### Smith and Jasper Joint Meeting

The Smith and Jasper County Pastor's Conference will have a joint meeting at the Raleigh church Monday morning, April 7, at 9:30.

There will be a round-table discussion on evangelism for '59 followed with a message on evangelism.

### Prince To Lead D. C. Revival

Rev. Troy Prince, Superintendent of Missions, Lauderdale County and former pastor of Friendship Church, McComb, will lead revival services at the Wisconsin Avenue Church, Washington, D. C., April 13-20.

Rev. James A. Bryant, pastor, was formerly pastor of the South McComb Church between 1948 and 1953.

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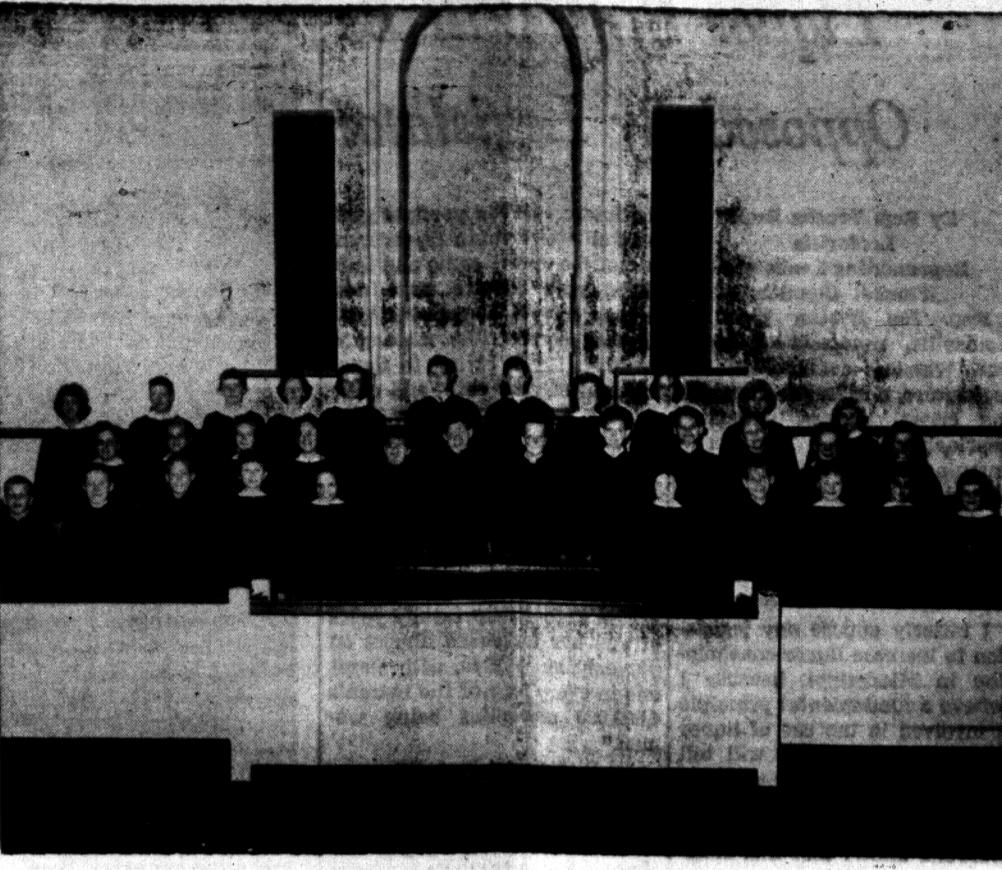
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**LAUREL CHURCH DEDICATES CHOIR ROBES**—Dedication services were held recently for the new robes secured for the Carol Choir at Second Avenue Baptist Church, Laurel. Membership in this choir has grown from 24 to 42, since organization last September. Members do not qualify for robe assignment until they have attended four consecutive rehearsals. The choir attended the State Baptist Choir Festival held at Mississippi College. It sings for an evening worship service about once each month. Dr. W. Leon Moore is pastor and J. Eugene Price is Minister of Music and Education.

## Harvesting In California

By Eddie F. Hicks, Pastor  
First Church, Magee

After being in a ten day revival with the Trinity Baptist Church of Arcata, California, I have a deeper understanding of Christ's words, "The harvest truly is plentious, but the laborers are few."

### Dublin Announces Youth Week

Youth Week plans are complete, to be put in effect March 30-April 6 at Dublin Church in Jeff Davis Association, Rev. Kenneth Roberts, pastor. Mrs. George Gatewood is Training Union Director and Perry Jones the Sunday School Supt.

Gary Jones has been elected as youth pastor. Other young people to serve in church offices during the week are Mary Ruth Dickens, Mag Jones, Irene Yates, Skeet Dykes, Charmian Smith, Merl Odom, Allene Blount, Doris Gilbert, Patsy Jones, Jonah Ray Jones, Hilda Yates, Cecil Bailey, Sammy Blount, Sharron Loftin, Marcelle Jones, Brenda Jones, Harriett Dyess, Ella Mae Jones, Delmas Blount, Junior McPhail, Joe Yates, Darel Blackmon, Cecil Bailey, and Shannon Dyess.

Speakers for the special Saturday night service, beginning at 7:00, will be Mrs. Sebron Hassen, school teacher at Columbia; Dr. F. L. Leggett, physician at Bassfield; Mrs. T. A. Duke, and Rev. T. A. Duke, pastor and wife at Mt. Zion Church.

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Rev. C. W. Thompson

### Macedonia Revival Begins On Easter

Spring revival services will begin at Macedonia Church in Lincoln County on Easter Sunday, April 6 with Rev. C. W. Thompson, pastor at Ellisville, as the evangelist. Mrs. Alton Smith of Macedonia will be in charge of the music.

Rev. A. W. Talbert is pastor.

Rev. C. W. Thompson

California are small, and, without exception, are having a difficult time. Their two greatest needs are for trained, experienced pastors, and for adequate church buildings. Until they have those things our Southern Baptist work will not attain the stature that it enjoys in other areas.

Nobles of the dedicated people in our churches of that area, are the pastors. To say that they serve sacrificially would be an understatement. But they are in good heart. They have large faith in the future of our work in their state.

They, and the consecrated people they serve, are deserving of the help of our prayers, our interests, and whatever money we can make available for their to.

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### Southeastern To Dedicate Library

Wake Forest, N. C. — Southeastern Seminary will dedicate its modern, new library building with special services Tuesday, April 8. President S. L. Stealey has announced.

Dr. George B. Connell, president of Mercer University, Macon, Georgia, will deliver the dedicatory sermon at the Service of Dedication in the Wake Forest Baptist Church at 8:00 p. m.



### Franklin Churches Call New Pastor

Rev. Jimmie T. Smith, student at New Orleans Seminary, has been called as pastor of the McCall Creek and Quentin Churches in Franklin County. He will preach at McCall Creek on the second and fourth Sundays each month and at Quentin on the first and third.

A native of Brookhaven, Mr. Smith is a 1955 graduate of Mississippi College. He was pastor at Old Byram (now Byram Memorial) in 1953-54.

Mr. Smith is the former Mary Jackson. The couple have two sons, Tommy, 3, and Jonathan, 5.

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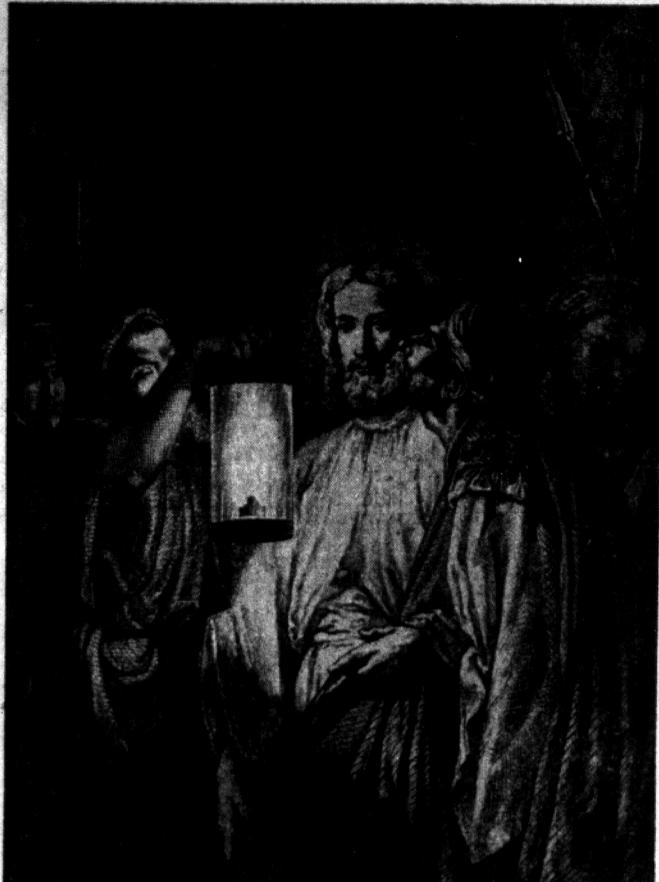
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**THE KISS OF JUDAS**—"Judas, would you betray the Son of man with a kiss?" (Lu. 22:48 RSV)—(Religious News Service Photo).

## BAPTIST HOSPITAL ACCEPTS TRANSFER STUDENT NURSES

Mississippi Baptist Hospital, Jackson, announced the acceptance of 28 student nurses who recently transferred to its Gilfoy School of Nursing from Methodist Hospital, Hattiesburg.

The 13 first year and 15 second year students selected Baptist Hospital to complete their basic nursing education when the school program at the Hattiesburg institution was temporarily suspended.

Paul J. Pryor, administrator, said, "We are pleased to have this group of young women added to our student body and are proud that our school was selected as that in which to complete their nursing education."

### Pre-Clinical Students

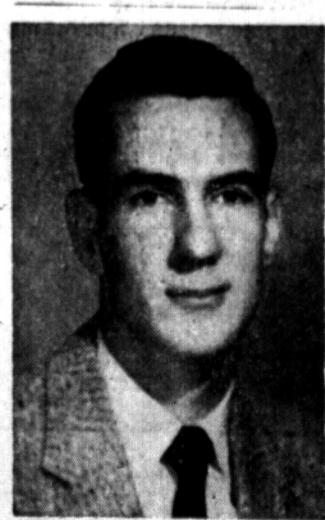
First year or pre-clinical students are: Geraldine Bertaun, Hattiesburg; Martha Ann Breland, Wiggins; Frankie Nell Cameron, Collins; Janet Davis, Seminary; LeDell Fillingame, Long Beach;

Sandra Jean Loper, Laurel; Virginia Delane Miller, Collins; Carolyn Sue Rials, Hazelhurst; Sandra Ryland, Bigbee, Alabama; Norma Shoemaker, Petal;

Myrtle Rae Standford, Luedale; Daisy Thompson, Hattiesburg; and Virginia Lois Walley, Neely.

### Second Year

Second year of junior students are: Elizabeth Jane Broadus, Moss Point; Nancy Carolyn Bynum, Sumrall; Gloria Jean



Billy Smith

### Central Announces Youth Wk. Revival

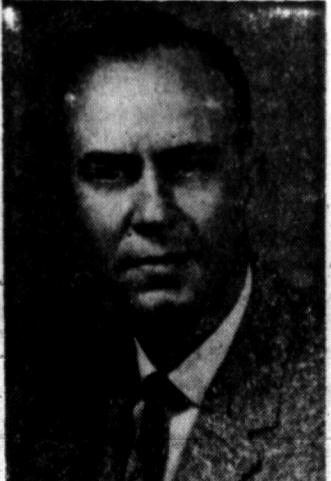
Youth Week will be observed in Central Church, Hattiesburg, April 6-13. All the offices of the church will be filled by the young people.

The week's activities will be climaxed by special evangelistic services beginning on Wednesday night, April 9, and continuing through Sunday night, April 13.

Billy Smith, a student at Mississippi College, will be the evangelist. Bobby Jones, also a student at Mississippi College, will be the singer.

Rev. Charles R. Williams is the pastor.

**WASHINGTON, D. C.** — Seventh-day Adventists sent 385 missionaries to 75 countries in 1957. Dr. Walter R. Beach, secretary of the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, announced here.



### Accepts Work At First, Brookhaven

Spence McClain has been selected to work as Minister of Education and Recreation at First Church, Brookhaven, Sunday, March 30.

A native of Oklahoma, Mr. McClain attended the University of Oklahoma and Southwestern Seminary. Recently he has been employed at First Church Gulfport as Education and Youth Director.

Rev. Wayne E. Todd is pastor at First, Brookhaven.

## Liquor Bills Will Be Opposed By Legislator

By Rep. Brooks Ezell  
Louisville  
Representing Leake and Winston Counties

Rep. Joe Brooks Ezell of Louisville, representing Leake and Winston counties in the legislature, declares that "boosting crime, hunger, suffering, heartaches, broken homes and damning souls is a poor and outrageous way to obtain tax revenue." He will oppose any steps toward legalization of liquor in Mississippi.

His statement continues:

I bitterly oppose any legislation to increase liquor consumption in Mississippi, because I believe a fundamental principle is involved in the use of liquor as a beverage. Some will tell you that legalization will not increase consumption in Mississippi, but I believe anyone and everyone knows that this statement is not true, because Mississippi ranks lower than its neighboring states on a per capita basis in every category of crime involving liquor. Others will tell you legalization will get rid of the bootlegger and moonshiner. No — not true. Here are the figures. Just last June, in a continuous raid for thirty days, the revenue agents captured 756 stills mostly in the southern states. And here was the find — 209 stills in North Carolina, 98 in Georgia, 92 in Alabama, 77 in Tennessee, 63 in South Carolina, 43 in Kentucky, 41 in Florida, 32 in Virginia, and 28 in Mississippi.

### Recent Survey

A recent survey of the state penitentiary at Parchman showed "94.6 per cent of the inmates were there because of whiskey, beer or wine."

Some people will tell you they never see a drunk in a wet state, well a survey shows that the average arrests for drunkenness — in Los Angeles is about 100,000 monthly; in Chicago and Philadelphia about 50,000 each month; and 40,000 per month in Washington, D. C., and 16,000 commitments to workhouses and a daily drunk population in Washington of more than 1,200. Washington also has 1,600 chronic alcoholics with half of them delirium tremens cases, and the costs of drunks costs the taxpayers of Washington alone more than \$2 million dollars per year."

Judge George I. Grellner of St. Louis said, "Ninety per cent of the cases in my court can be blamed on whiskey." Judge Mildred L. Lillie of Los Angeles says, "No other single problem is responsible for as extensive and complex divorce litigation as that arising out of the consumption of liquor."

Closely related to the breakup of homes by divorce is the increasing use of beverage alcohol by women.

### Seek Women Drinkers

At a convention of the wine industry held in Chicago some time ago, an experienced reporter, Fred D. L. Squires jotted down these notes made by speakers of the assembly. "Teach the women to drink, invite them to your bars and taprooms. Train your publicity to catch the eye and develop



### REVIVAL

### NEW PROSPECT

Revival services will be held at New Prospect Church in Lafayette County April 6-11. Dr. W. Glyde Martin, pastor of First Church, Senatobia, will be the recipient of its second annual Lenten Award for patriotism.

Services will begin after Sunday at 10:45 each morning and 7:30 at night. The pastor Rev. Elton Barlow will preach at both services on Sunday.

the interest of the younger generation. Make youth liquor conscious. Go on the radio and television with feature stars and snappy scripts. Remember that nothing counts like making a profit." He is trying to damn the soul of your child and mine for the sake of a dollar. You know women and children fall for style and a popular thing quicker than a settled man will.

"A research conducted by Yale University Center for Alcoholic Studies shows that the rate of alcoholism among American women over twenty years of age has increased almost 50 per cent since 1940, with about one in every four of the nation's 4,500,000 alcoholics being women."

### Distressing Increase

One reason for this distressing increase, suggested by Yale scientist, "is that drinking among women has become more socially acceptable and is looked on as the sophisticated thing to do."

A dollar spent for an automobile, television, or freezer can be enjoyed for years, but for the \$9 billion plus poured into the bulging pockets of the liquor trade, we get no durable goods in return. Instead, we get a trail of disease, crime, heartache and death. Is this good sound business?

Crime cost America \$20 billion last year. \$495.00 for every family in our land.



### Hollandale Deacon Teaches Class 53 Years

Paul Holland, Sr., 81, recently retired as teacher of the Men's Bible Class of the Hollandale Church, completing 53 years of service in that capacity.

He was chairman of the deacons in his church for more than 40 years. He is a 1902 graduate of Mississippi College. The town of Hollandale was named for his father. Sunday School leaders in Mississippi report that few teachers in Baptist Sunday Schools of the state have had such a long record of continuous service. — (Staff Photo)



### GOOD HOPE EVANGELIST

April 6-11 will be the date of the spring revival at Good Hope Church, Perry Association.

Rev. D. W. Nix of Hattiesburg

BOSTON — The Massachusetts Council, Knights of Columbus, named Robert F. Kennedy of Washington, D. C., as recipient of its second annual Lenten Award for patriotism.

MOSCOW — A leading anti-religious publication here complained that despite their "emancipation," Russian women still persist in going to church.



**BOOK STORES AND THE 30,000 MOVEMENT**—Nashville, Tenn. (BSSB)—Dr. Harry P. Stagg, executive secretary, Baptist Convention of New Mexico, center, listens attentively to Keith C. Von Hagen, director, Merchandise Sales Division, Baptist Sunday School Board, as he points out ways in which the 50 Baptist book stores can help in the 30,000 Movement. Jay O. Turner, Manager, Sales Department of the Board, looks on. Dr. Stagg spoke on the 30,000 Movement at the recent book store managers' conference in Nashville. —(BSSB Photo by Robert Jackson).



Dr. W. W. Enete and Sammy

### REVIVAL IN HAZLEHURST

Dr. W. W. Enete, active missionary in Brazil, will be the guest evangelist for the revival at First Church, Hazlehurst, April 14-20. Services at 7:00 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.

Dr. Enete is a man of many talents. He is well known for his great evangelistic campaigns throughout Brazil.

Rev. Rowe C. Holcomb is the pastor. Jimmy Hayes will direct the music.

Dr. E. E. Enete and Sammy

### Bethany Plans Homecoming Day

Bethany Church near Prentiss will observe Homecoming Day on Easter Sunday, with dinner on the grounds after the morning service.

The afternoon service will be a fellowship period, with an Easter egg hunt for the children.

The church within the past year and a half has bought new pews and built a new pastorum and a new brick sanctuary. Offerings on Homecoming Day will be applied to the church debt, according to Rev. A. G. Gray, pastor.



### Frank Dees And Wiggins Choir To Give Recital

The Youth and Adult Choirs of the First Church, Wiggins, will present the oratorio, "The Holy City" by A. R. Gaul, at the New Orleans Baptist Seminary, on April 7, in the E. O. Sellers Music Building.

The program will be presented at the graduate recital of Minister of Music, Frank L. Dees, who will receive the Master of Sacred Music degree this spring. Mr. Dees will also be heard at the three manual Moller organ playing the "Prelude and Fugue in D" (the great) by J. S. Bach, and the Mendelssohn "Sixth Sonata."

The choir program will also be presented at the Wiggins church on Easter Sunday night.

Soloists for the choir are: Mrs. Frank Dees, soprano, Miss Ginger Perego, alto, and Frank Lee, Bass. Miss Carol Annis is the organist, and Mrs. J. Campbell, the pianist. Dr. U. Karl Perego is the pastor of the church.

Grace Chapel Church, Brooklyn, was the setting for the ordination of Rev. Ila A. Anderson, pastor of the Riverside Church at Waynesboro.

Following special music Rev. R. C. Woodham gave the charge to the church and the candidate. Rev. A. C. Hurt delivered the ordination service. Rev. N. J. Lee presented the Bible.

Marvin Farrior, deacon at Riverside was present. Mr. Anderson is a student at Clarke College and will graduate in May.



### DISTRICT CONVENTIONS

A poster has been mailed to your church. This poster is about the District Training Union Conventions for the year 1958. This poster includes the order of program, pictures of speakers and conference leaders, places of meetings. If you have not seen this poster displayed in your church, ask about it. If one has not been received, write your state Training Union Department, Box 530, Jackson. Read this column each week and keep posted on information for these conventions.

April 28 ..... Clarksdale, Riverside Baptist Church  
Northwestern District: DeSoto, Marshall, Tate, Riverside, Panola, and Lafayette Associations.

April 29 ..... Blue Mountain College, Blue Mountain  
Northeastern District: Benton, Tippah, Alcorn, Tishomingo, Prentiss, Union, Pontotoc, Lee, and Itawamba Associations.

May 1 ..... Houston, First Baptist Church  
Eastern District: Calhoun, Chickasaw, Monroe, Zion, Clay, Choctaw, Okfuskeha, and Lowndes Associations.

May 2 ..... Leland, First Baptist Church  
Western District: Bolivar, Washington, Sunflower, Sharkey-Issaquena, and Humphreys Associations.

May 5 ..... North Carrollton Baptist Church  
North Central District: Tallahatchie, Yalobusha, Leflore, Grenada, Carroll, Montgomery and Holmes Associations.

May 6 ..... Louisville, First Baptist Church  
Choctaw District: Attala, Winston, Noxubee, New Chocaw, Leake, Neshoba and Kemper Associations.

May 8 ..... Clarke Memorial College, Newton  
East Central District: Scott, Newton, Lauderdale, Smith, Jasper, and Clarke Associations.

May 9 ..... Mississippi Baptist Orphanage, Jackson  
West Central District: Yazoo, Madison, Warren, Hinds, and Rankin Associations.

May 12 ..... Ocean Springs, First Baptist Church  
Gulf District: Pearl River, George, P. Hill, Coahoma and Scott Associations.

May 13 ..... William Carey College, Hattiesburg  
Southeastern District: Covington, Jones, Wayne, Lamar, Lebanon, Perry, Greene Associations.

May 15 ..... New Hebron, New Hebron Baptist Church  
South Central District: Simpson, Lawrence, Jeff Davis, Marion, and Walthall Associations.

May 16 ..... Natchez, Fellowship Baptist Church  
Southwestern District: Union, Adams, Copiah, Lincoln, Franklin, Mississippi, and Pike Associations.

**A WORD TO THE WISE IS SUFFICIENT**  
Caution! Beginning April 1st we reach the last quarter in this year as far as the earning of Seal Number Two for your HONOR CHURCH DIPLOMA is concerned. How about some standard unions and departments this quarter?



Annie Lou Curtis

## Belhaven Elects B. S. U. Council

The 1958-59 Baptist Student Union Council at Belhaven College was elected March 27. Annie Lou Curtis from French Camp was elected President.

Other officers are: Roxann Cox, Jackson, Enrollment Chairman; Joan Mendum, Forest, Social Chairman; Eleanor Mackey, Sladen, Devotional Chairman; Treasure Lee, McComb, Secretary; Regina Curtis, Sladen, Stewardship Chairman; Dixie Granberry, Havana, Cuba, Publicity Director; Ann Mangum, Waynesboro, Y. W. A. President; Carolyn Webb, Columbia, Missions Chairman; and Kathryn Jasper, Jackson, BSU Director.

### Circulation

This Week ..... 87,788  
Loss ..... 175

### Deacons Ordained

In a worship service at Moak's Creek Church in Lincoln Association, six members were ordained as deacons on Thursday evening, March 6, 1958. In this closing service of the Annual Spring Revival those ordained were E. L. Gatlin, W. A. Hodges, Emmitt Dickerson, J. H. McCaffery, Judson Johnson, and Edgar V. Martin.

Rev. Millard Purl, pastor, was moderator. The invocation was led by Rev. Donald Bennett, pastor of Calvary Church; Rev. T. D. Sumrall, Sr., of East McComb Church delivered the charge and Rev. Freddie Bristor, guest Evangelist and pastor of First Church of Ponchatoula, Louisiana, brought the sermon.

The most sacred rite of laying On of the Hands was performed by all ordained ministers and deacons of Southern Baptist Convention Churches who were present.

W. C. Hutson, Chairman of Deacons, led the prayer followed by fellowship of the newly ordained deacons and their wives and the congregation.

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## Pastor Discusses Church Proximity

By CONALLY EVANS  
Pastor Belmont Baptist  
Church, Odessa, Texas

"Attend the church dearest to you not the church nearest to you!" I read it again to make sure that I had not misunderstood the implications of this simple sentence in the pastor's column of a fine church paper which comes to my desk weekly.

As I pondered this terse statement I reflected briefly upon my own ministry. For eight years I have been the privileged pastor of suburban church. Available land for development, changing water and drainage conditions have made it necessary for the city to grow in an opposite direction from our location.

Remembering that our good church had grown from a small mission endeavor of the First, Baptist Church to a Sunday School numbering several hundreds I could not doubt the blessing of God upon our work. Too, I recalled that in these eight years the number of churches had grown from seven to more than twenty cooperating Southern Baptist Churches in our city.

### Drive Across City

There is no doubt in my mind but that God has led in the establishing of these sister churches. I am happy that the church which I pastor has had some small part in extending this work to all areas of our city. Notwithstanding this attempt to take the church to the people there are several hundred people who find it conducive to their spiritual growth to continue driving across the city to worship with us at every opening of the doors.

I have no hesitation in saying that we have keyed our program to appeal to people regardless of their proximity to our church. I cannot say that I have felt led to ask any of our faithful members to unite with a church nearer to them nor have I appreciated inferences

### Music Department

W. C. MORGAN, Secretary

### RECORD ENROLLMENT IN REGIONAL FESTIVALS

Our Regional Festivals have had an overwhelming attendance up to date. The Festivals report through Friday, March 21 were as follows:

Hymn Players—264

Choral—231

Totals—5234

Totals in Audience—3412

We feel our 6,000 goal for 1958 will be well reached with four more Festivals to go and already a total of 5,234 people in participation. We would like to thank all those who have made these Festivals possible. Especially, we would like to say thank you to the Directors, Organists, Pianists, pastors, and all others who have had a part in the program this year.

### STATE FESTIVALS COMING

The State Festivals are almost here and we hope all those who have entered the Regional Festivals, are making plans to

## State Boulevard To Build Annex

State Boulevard Church, Meridian, Rev. W. H. Henderson, pastor, has voted to build a \$100,000 educational building.

Plans have been adopted, the contract let and construction is to begin immediately on the three-story structure to be 44 x 100 feet.

The building will be completely air-conditioned and care for 600 people. Occupancy is set for October.

The church's sanctuary will be enlarged by about one-third in connection with this building program.

## Todd To Preach Ruth Revival

Rev. Wayne Todd, pastor First Church at Brookhaven, will be the evangelist for the revival at the Ruth Church April 3-6.

Rev. Jack Courtney is pastor

that they cannot honor God except as they hold membership in the church located nearest to them.

### Desire For Numbers

Frankly, the latter smacks with a desire for numbers rather than for the spiritual welfare of the member. It would appear that these inferences come from the visitation of the members more often than from fellow pastors. Of course, coupled with this philosophy is the conclusion that "we're a small church and we need leaders." It has been my observation that the larger we become the greater the need for trained leadership.

I cannot lose sight of the fact that the charter members of the church which I pastor came from the downtown church. Nor can I lose sight of the fact that this downtown church contributed financially to the support of our church for a short time after its inception.

To apply the "nearest you" philosophy would put this great church out of business. Doesn't the fact that they still maintain the largest Sunday School enrollment and church membership in the city indicate that God is pleased with the attendance of those who live outside its proximity?

### Cites Figures

Furthermore, I have noted from the minutes of our association that this "mother church" gives more undesignated to missions than all the other churches of our city combined. Is this not another indication that God smiles upon their activities.

On the surface this philosophy appears quite innocent. However, to allow such to continue unabated could prove injurious to the cause of Christ. Could it be that our selfish motives have caused us to justify our methods? The church, as the "Bride of Christ," is precious in the sight of our Lord, and God helps us if we fail to recognize this in our struggle to grow strong New Testament churches.



**PROTESTANT SPOKESMEN AT ANTI-OBSCEITY HEARING**—Washington, D. C.—These are six of the Protestant representatives who attended, or testified at, a public hearing of the House judiciary sub-committee which is studying legislation to improve enforcement of laws against obscenity in the mails. Left to right are: Mrs. Clarence T. Nelson of United Church Women, Washington, D. C.; Dr. Clyde W. Taylor of Washington, secretary for public affairs, National Association of Evangelicals; O. K. Armstrong of Springfield, Mo., legislative chairman of the Churchmen's Commission for Decent Literature; Rev. B. H. Hood of Washington, evangelist for the Churches of Christ; Dr. Fred S. Buschmeyer, Washington secretary of the National Council of Churches; Rev. Ralph A. Cannon of Spartanburg, S. C., Methodist Board of Temperance Chairman of the House sub-committee is Rep. Francis E. Walter (D-Pa.)—(RNS Photo).

## 210 ATTEND HIGH SCHOOL DAY AT CAREY

A group of 210 students representing 23 high schools from South Mississippi and Alabama attended High School Day at William Carey College on Tuesday, March 18.

Beginning with the opening convocation at 9:00 a. m., activities included a spring style show sponsored by the Home Economics Department, a talent show by Carey students, a picnic lunch, noonday meditation and two one-act plays.

The BSU display featured articles and pictures made in the Bahama Islands where Miss Jewel Hannah, BSU Director at Carey, has served as a summer missionary for the past seven years.

Concluding the day's activities, a number of students were given competitive examinations for scholastic and music scholarships. The results of these examinations will be made known within the next few days.

BOSTON — A Bible brought from London 113 years ago by a Maine sea captain on his honeymoon has become the center of a civil suit in Suffolk Superior Court here.



Dr. Joe Cothen

## EVANGELIST AT ALTA WOODS

Dr. Joe H. Cothen, pastor at Thomasville, Alabama, will be the evangelist for revival services at Alta Woods Church, in Jackson, April 6-13, according to Pastor Percy M. Cooper.

Weekly services will begin at 7:00 a. m. and 7:30 p. m., with

The son of Rev. J. H. Cothen of Hattiesburg, Dr. Cothen is a graduate of Mississippi College and New Orleans Seminary. (At the latter he received the B. D., Th. M., and Th. D. degrees.) Two of his brothers are pastors, one in Oklahoma and one in Louisiana. He is married to the daughter of Rev. Chester Moulder of Hattiesburg.

Dr. and Mrs. Whitfield Applewhite, Southern Baptist missionaries to Indonesia, should be addressed, P. O. Box 6, Kediri, Indonesia. Mr. Applewhite is the former La Verne Viverette of Union, Miss.

David L. Johnson, Southern Seminary religious education graduate, (Jan. '58), has joined the staff of the Service Division, director's office, of the Baptist Sunday School Board.

## Sunday School And Training Union Attendance

March 30, 1958

Aberdeen, First ..... 404 106

Amory, First ..... 498 150

Atmore (Rankin) ..... 74 38

Batesville, First ..... 560 208

Bentonia ..... 45

Bethlehem (Jones) ..... 150 90

Biloxi, Emmanuel ..... 258 90

Booneville, First ..... 286 109

Brownhaven, First ..... 274 165

Main ..... 742 275

Southway ..... 97 64

Halbert Heights ..... 28 26

Bucatunna (Clarke) ..... 54 20

Byram ..... 288 161

Canton City, First ..... 342 150

Clarkdale ..... 200 90

Cleveland, First ..... 454 159

Main ..... 442 142

Chinese Mission ..... 42

Cleveland, Immanuel ..... 261 110

Clinton ..... 600 200

Clinton Mission ..... 113 58

Collins ..... 181 122

Columbia, First ..... 610 205

Columbus, First ..... 1065 362

Main ..... 929 272

Elmwood ..... 146 90

Jonestown Mission ..... 210 73

Cruger ..... 24

Crystal Springs, First ..... 610 194

Dixie (Lanham) ..... 303 118

Dumont, First ..... 302 123

Eastside Mission ..... 59 35

Enon (Panola) ..... 111 95

Furr (Pontotoc) ..... 96 41

Glenfield (Union Co.) ..... 93 62

Greenville, First ..... 1037 336

Main ..... 51

Greenville, Parkview ..... 374 159

Gulfport, First ..... 864 293

Gulfport, Grace Memorial ..... 349 91

Hancock:

38th Avenue ..... 261 166

First ..... 660 222

Immanuel ..... 300 125

Houston, First ..... 386 177

Jackson:

Calvary ..... 888 327

Crestwood ..... 407 140

Hillcrest ..... 403 191

Midway ..... 302 138

First ..... 1472 441

Daniel ..... 1056 477

Hillcrest ..... 181 72

Ridgecrest ..... 105 35

Van Winkle ..... 549 388

Emmanuel ..... 205 125

Calvary ..... 1661 539

Main ..... 1622 521

Midway ..... 39 18

Northside ..... 114 216

Kosciusko (Alcorn) ..... 35 23

Main ..... 200 112

Clear Creek Mission ..... 27



## Pearson Evangelist

Dr. Lee Gallman, Jackson, director Seminary Extension Department, will lead the revival for the Pearson Baptist church, March 30-April 6.

Rev. L. T. Greer is pastor. Services are held daily at 10:00 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Rev. Tommy Clark of Mississippi College will be in charge of the music.

## Pelahatchie Plans April Youth Week

Pelahatchie Baptists will observe Youth Week April 6-13. During this time the Young People will be in charge of various activities of the church. On Sunday night, April 6, the group will lead in Training Union and have charge of the evening worship hour. On Monday, April 7, the W. M. S. will be under their direction. Wednesday, April 9, the prayer service will be conducted by the group as they present a candlelight service.

On Friday, April 11, the group will be entertained with a formal banquet. Rev. Russell McIntire, pastor of the Clinton Church, will be guest speaker.

The week will be climaxed on Sunday morning, April 13, with the young people in charge of the morning worship hour.

The Youth Week program, sponsored by the Training Union Director, and the Youth Committee, composed of Mrs. J. M. Porch, Copie Myers, and Rev. J. F. Stanford, pastor.

## RELIGIOUS REMARKABLES - - - By Scheel T. M. REG. U. S. PAT. OFF



## Southern Baptists Begin Work In North Dakota

The first service of Southern Baptists in Grand Forks, North Dakota, was held February 16 with ten in attendance.

Rev. W. J. Hughes, former pastor of Morgantown church, National Home Missions Convention, under the new eastern mission plan of the Home Mission Board.

The work in Grand Forks is being supported jointly by the Home Mission Board, the Colorado General Convention, and the churches in Rankin County, Mississippi.

Until the group in Grand Forks is strong enough to organize, they will be an arm of the First Southern church in Bismarck, the nearest Southern Baptist church (277 miles).

Services are being held in the

## What Does Easter Mean?

By DR. JOHN G. McCALL, Pastor  
First Church, Vicksburg

Far and away the most thrilling news in all the world today is the answer to the question "What does Easter mean?" In that answer is everything men need, and when we find that answer life will be literally transformed for us.

Well, what does Easter mean? Certainly not colored eggs, "the Easter Bunny", new clothes or even church attendance — Rather (to put it in one word), Easter means victory. That was the meaning of that first Easter—Victory.

Against the background of the darkness and tragedy of the crucifixion on Friday, the light of Easter broke with the news of Christ's resurrection from the dead. The news got around—He's risen—He's alive forevermore; whispered at first and then shouted in joyous song.

### Victory

In John Masefield's play "The Trial of Jesus," the centurion at the foot of the Cross talks to Pilate's wife: "Do you think He's dead?" she asks. "No, I don't," he replies. "Where do you think He is then?" she pressed the question. "Let loose in the world," the centurion answers, "where neither Roman nor Jew can stop His truth." Victory was the meaning of that first Easter—Victory which God in Christ won over hell and death and sin and all the powers of evil.

### Complete Victory

And, thanks be to God, you and I may have victory too. In 1926 F. Maddox Ford published a book entitled "A Man Can Stand Up," which is a psychological study of the effects of the years of trench warfare in World War I. What a marvelous thing it was that a man could finally stand up straight free from the fear of being mowed down by machine gun fire. And the good news for us is that the same power of God that raised Christ from the dead can take our lives, bowed with sin, fear, frustration and defeat, and enable us to stand up to life and death with complete victory.

## Calvary, Meridian, Reports "First Baptisms In 67 Years!"

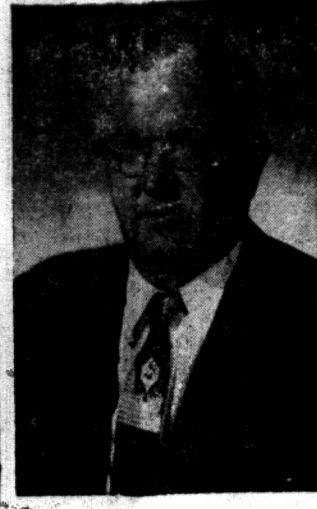
A baptismal service was held at Calvary Church, Meridian on Sunday night, March 30, for the first time in 67 years! The pastor, Rev. Otis Seal, baptized four at that service.

Forty-First Avenue Church, Meridian, after acquiring property on 8th Street at Highways 11 and 19, where the church plans to build on a new site, changed its name to Calvary.

This church originated on March 20, 1881 as Calvary church. When Calvary moved to 41st Avenue on May 24, 1891, they became Forty-First Avenue Church—so there have been no baptisms at Calvary Church, Meridian, since 1891! The church has had 27 pastors.

Since Seal's becoming pastor in August, 1957 there have been 47 additions and 48 dedications. The 1958 budget totals \$65,000.

A new building will be launched on the new site in early 1959.



Rev. A. T. Walker

## SOSO CALLS NEW PASTOR

Rev. A. T. Walker, for the past three years pastor at West Ellisville, resigned to accept a call to Soso, First Church. He will succeed Rev. Johnny Foy, Jr., who went to a church in Louisiana.

Mr. Walker attended school at Clarke College, Mississippi Southern, and received his B. D. Degree from New Orleans.

He is secretary of the Southeastern Baptist Pastor's Conference. Former churches he has served include Petal, First and McLaurin.

While at Ellisville the church built a new auditorium and equipped it. It has a central heating and air-conditioning system. The Sunday School and Training Union facilities have been doubled and many tithers have been enlisted.

Soso is redecorating the Pastorium and will be ready for the family when they move in April.

## Riverside Plans April Revival

Riverside Church in Adams County will hold revival services April 6-13 with Rev. Robert Watson of West Monroe, Louisiana, as the evangelist and Russell Stellwagon of West Monroe, Louisiana as song leader.

Services will begin at 10:00 a. m. and 7:30 p. m., according to the pastor, Rev. Marvin Stone.

## TRINITY HEARS MISSOURI EVANGELIST

Trinity Church, Biloxi, has experienced a revival through the singing and preaching of Rev. Robert H. Conner, Jr., evangelist of St. Louis, Mo.

The services began on Wednesday, March 5, and closed on Sunday, March 16. There were 18 professions of faith, 14 for baptism, and 16 were added to the church by letter.

There were 13 young people who committed their lives to do God's will, three of whom were called to missionary service and one to the ministry. Twelve re-dedicated their lives, 39 young people signed total abstinence pledges, and 17 families pledged to begin a family altar. 327 were counted in Sunday School on the closing day of the revival, breaking all previous records of Sunday School attendance.

Mr. Connor has traveled widely, having been in all the states, in Hawaii, Mexico and the Bahamas. He has built up an excellent library of slides and films on the mission fields of Southern Baptists.

Rev. C. H. Cutrell is pastor at Trinity.

## Editors To Meet In Chicago

CHICAGO (RNS) — Assistant Secretary of State Andrew H. Berding will address Protestant editors on the "Foreign Policy of the U. S." at the 39th annual meeting of the Associated Church Press here April 9-11.

The talk will be followed by an open discussion on the subject by the church newspapermen from this country and Canada.

Founded in 1916, the ACP comprises 148 Protestant and Orthodox publications with a circulation of more than 13,000,000. Peter Day, editor of The Living Church, Episcopal news weekly, is president.

MILAN, Italy — Oliver Cromwell, Lord Protector of England in the 17th century, once threatened to bombard the port of Genoa in order to protect the Waldensians, oldest Protestant group in the world.



ELLISTOWN (UNION CO.) BREAKS GROUND—Shown above are a group of deacons and the Building Committee at the recent groundbreaking service at Ellistown Church in Union County. Left to right, are E. V. Humphrey, Lee Kelly, Edd Basden, Arnold Turner, K. C. Coker, Earl Hutcherson, Walter Greer, Glenn Millican, and Rev. Clark Rakestraw, pastor. The new building will be a modern brick veneer. The church will celebrate their Centennial next year.

## Riverside Slates Revival

er for the Revival. Mr. Fair Hays, of Clarksdale Church, will lead the singing. Miss Irene Crocker, Riverside pianist, will be the accompanist and will help with the special music.



Rev. W. L. Marsh

Riverside Church in Clarksdale announces revival services April 6-13 at 6:00 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Coffee and doughnuts will be served after the worship service each morning.

Rev. W. L. Marsh, who has gone recently from Benton to Riverside as pastor, will do the preaching.

In preparation for the meetings, a program of visitation is in progress. A Special Commitment Day Service was held Sunday, March 30 to April 6 is being observed as Week of — Pray

## Sunrise Service Annual Session

Under the sponsorship of the churches in the Byram community and in cooperation with the school, Byram will have an Easter Sunrise Service April 6.

Plans now outlined include having special choir music furnished by choirs of the churches and an Easter message from a local minister selected by the ministers of Byram. This will be held at the football field at 6:15 Easter morning.

## Wayside Revival

Wayside Church in Yalobusha County will hold spring revival services April 6-13, with Rev. Versie Johnson, pastor of the church, as the evangelist.

Carl Bilbourn will be the song leader for the services, which will be held only in the evenings.



Rev. Luther K. Turner

## SOUTHSIDE EVANGELIST

Rev. Luther K. Turner of Richton will be the evangelist at Southside Church, Hattiesburg, April 6-13 in revival services to begin at 9:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.

J. T. Taylor, Minister of Music at First Church, Purvis, will lead the singing. Mrs. Garland McInnis is pianist and John Ellzey is Minister of Music at Southside.

Rev. Garland McInnis is the pastor.

## Harold McInnis Is Ordained

On Sunday, March 23, the Coyt Church, Wayne Association, ordained Harold McInnis to the Gospel Ministry at the request of the Denham and Hi-

winner churches which have

sent him to study at the

present a student in Jones

County Jr. College, Ellisville.

Rev. N. R. Thornton, Coyt pastor, presiding over the service, presented the candidate with a Bible in behalf of the Coyt Church and led in prayer. Bro. Charles Holifield, pastor Calvary Church, Waynesboro, preached the sermon. The charges to the candidate and church was delivered by Rev. Leon B. Young, Wayne Association

Minister.

No Change — Doctor: How's the boy who swallowed the half dollar?

Nurse: No change yet, Doctor — Builders

Dorothy, Learning to dress herself, tearfully approached her mother: "I can't fasten my dress, Mama. The buttons are all in the back, and I'm in the front."

"Living in the past has a good point — it's cheaper!" — Quin Ryan.

The Difference — Fine twins ye have there, Mrs. Murphy, but tell me, how do ye ever know them apart?"

"Faith, an' that's aisy, Mrs. O'Flaherty, said Mrs. Murphy. "Ol put me finger in Dennis' mouth, and if he bites, it's Mike." — Baptist Herald.

A Little Girl at a church wed-

ding suddenly exclaimed in a stage whisper: "Mother, has the lady changed her mind?"

"What do you mean, dear?"

"Well, mother, we saw her march up the aisle with one man, and here she comes back with another!"

Ground for Argument — Cus-

tomer: "This coffee is like mud."

Waitress: "Well, it was ground this morning." — Baptist Herald.

Bride-to-Be to friend: "It was

Christmas before I realized that

you was getting married. He

gave an electric blanket with

the dual control."

Too many men conduct their lives on the cafeteria plan — self service only.

Selfridge's in London once created a sensation and blocked traffic by putting a perp hole in a curtained window with the label: "For the clean-minded."

Behind it was a display of towels.

## — THE SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

## Resurrection Sees Victory

for saying (John 14:5), "Lord, we know not whither Thou goest; nor know we the way?"

Take it to yourself. Would you want to start off on a long journey without knowing whither, or by what way? The Lord did not upbraid Thomas, but gave him the gentle answer, "I am the way."

And all week long, Thomas had made requirement for no more than all the others had had. In Luke 24:39, He had said "See my hands and my feet, that it is I Myself; handle me and see." Now on the second Lord's Day evening, He comes to Thomas and says, "Accept for yourself the evidence the others have had, stretch forth your hand. But we are not told that Thomas stretched forth his hand: I do not think he did. To see was enough for him.

There burst from his heart through his lips the confession, finer than Peter's at Caesarea Philippi, Peter's had somewhat of the objective, "Thou art the Christ." Thomas' was the intimate, nothing withholding, "My Lord and my God." Thomas saw his Lord, heard the voice of his Lord, knew his Lord, and confessed his Lord. He was unsatisfied with a partial, incomplete knowledge and went about securing a full and perfect one.

II. A PAULINE PRAYER. Ephesians 1:17-23.

1. Petition. The Christian Hope. "The hope of His calling."

2. His Nexus With This Power.

"Gave Him to be head over all

things to the Church, which is

His body, the fullness of Him

that filleth all in all."

The church . . . His body, the most

dignified, the most honorable,

the most noble, the most power-

ful body that functions any-

where, because it is a body

whose members are drawn to-

gether, framed together, held

together by the indwelling

Christ, and set for the initia-

tion, under their divine head of